

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD
MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2009 7:30 P.M.
301 KING STREET, 2ND FLOOR
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

M I N U T E S

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jay Johnson, Larry Ruggiero, Amy Slack, Kevin Posey, Gregory Cota, E Jon Sargeant

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Rich Baier, Director Transportation & Environmental Service; Tom Culpepper, Deputy Director, Transportation & Environmental Service; Bob Garbacz, Division Chief, Transportation; Ravi Raut, Yon Lambert, Pedestrian/Bicycle Coordinator, Transit Service; Calvin Abram, Principal Transportation Planner Transportation; Christopher Spera, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney Office; Monte Rosson, Hack Inspector, Alexandria Police Department; Leroy Baker, Traffic Survey Technician, Transportation

1. Announcement of deferrals and withdrawals.
2. Election of Officers.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Ruggiero made a motion to nominate Mr. Thomas “Jay” Johnson Chairman of the Traffic and Parking Board, Ms. Slack seconded the nomination. The motion carried with the Board voting unanimously to approve the nomination.

Ms. Slack made a motion to nominate Mr. Lawrence Ruggiero Vice-Chairman of the Traffic and Parking Board, Mr. Posey seconded the nomination. The motion carried with the Board voting unanimously to approve the nomination.

3. Approval of minutes for the February 23, 2009, Traffic and Parking Board Meeting. Ms. Slack made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2009, Traffic and Parking Board Meeting, Mr. Sargeant seconded the motion. The motion carried with the Board voting unanimously to approve the motion.

4. STAFF REPORTS AND UPDATES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Consideration of a recommendation to place a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a taxicab company in the City of Alexandria on probationary status

for failure to provide the minimum level of dispatch service required by City Code Section 9-12-33(c).

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Lonnie Rich spoke on the behalf of Union Cab Company. Mr. Ruggiero made a motion seconded by Mr. Posey to: 1) Give Union Cab Company six months to restructure and come into compliance with the dispatch requirements, during this time they be subject to all of the conditions required by code of a company on probation; 2) Place Union Cab Company on probation not to exceed 12 months if the minimum dispatch requirements are not met within the six month time frame; and, 3) Deny any driver transfers to Union Cab Company. The motion carried with the Board voting 5 to 1 in favor of the motion and Ms. Slack in opposition.

NEW BUSINESS

- 6. ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to on the west side of the 300 block of South Reynolds Street to remove one parking space on either side of the first EOS-21 Condominium driveway south of Duke Street.

BOARD ACTION: Ms. Millin Alam and Ms Lisa Schmitt spoke in favor of the request. Mr. Posey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cota to approve the request. The motion carried with the Board voting 5 to 1 in favor of the motion and Ms. Slack in opposition.

- 7: ISSUE:** Consideration of requests by the Motorcoach Task Force:

- A. Consideration of a request to change the unit block of King Street from two-way operation to one-way westbound.
- B. Consideration of a request to remove 26 parking spaces on the south side of Jamieson Avenue between Holland Lane and South West Street and install Motorcoach Parking signs, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m..
- C. Consideration of a request to:
 - 1. Remove 6 metered parking spaces on the west side of North Washington Street south of Cameron Street and designate space for 30-minute motorcoach loading/unloading; and
 - 2. Relocate the existing Dash bus stop on the east side of the 100 block of South Washington Street 20 feet and designate 100 feet for 30-minute motorcoach loading/unloading.

BOARD ACTION: Mr. Yon Lambert gave a presentation on the Motorcoach Task Force. Mr. John C. Preva, Ms. Beth Weinberg, Mr. John Meagher, Mr. Aaron Lacey, Ms. Pamela Verick Stone, Ms. Ellen Holcomb and Ms. Leigh Lavry spoke against Item 7B. Ms. Charlotta A. Hall spoke in favor of 7B.

Ms. Slack attempted to make a motion to approve staff's recommendation on 7A, 7B and 7C, and that on Item 7B staff continue exploration on alternative sites and have an update in 24 months. There was no second.

Mr. Ruggiero made motion to approve Staff's recommendation on Item 7A, Ms. Slack seconded the motion. The motion carried with the Board voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mr. Ruggiero made a motion to approve Staff's recommendation on Item 7C, Ms. Slack seconded the motion. The motion carried with the Board voting unanimously in favor of the motion.

Mr. Posey made a motion to deny 7B, seconded by Mr. Cota. The motion did not carry with Mr. Posey, Mr. Cota and Mr. Sargeant voting in favor of the motion, and Mr. Johnson, Mr. Ruggiero and Ms. Slack voting in opposition.

Ms. Slack attempted to make a motion to eliminate the parking space closest to the condominium and that Staff come back at the July meeting with data from the trail. There was no second.

Mr. Ruggiero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Posey that at the April meeting staff provide at least two alternative motor coach parking locations, or no location. The motion carried with the Board voting 5 to 1 in favor of the motion and Ms. Slack in opposition.

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NEXT TRAFFIC & PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING APRIL 27, 2009

